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From: Bezerra, Joana
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 12:01 PM
To: Weeks, Victor
Cc: Belke, Jim; Hans, Mick
Subject: Re: Emergency response coordination & exercise cost discussion

Hi Victor

Glenn retired last year.

I would like to participate but I will be out of the country until May 26.

What we used to do a lot was what we call LEPC/RMP exercises. It was voluntary for the RMP facility. They share their worst case scenario with the LEPC and EPA and we created an exercise. The LEPCs need to exercise every year to get credit from their respective states so it was mostly for the LEPC.

EPA would hire a contractor to do the planning and execution of the exercise and to write an After Action Report.

All the entities that cooperated and participated did it "in kind", as we explained.

I would not know how much would cost to the facility.

I would say the hourly rate of all involved plus the number of hours worked to start with.

We payed the contractor between 18,000 and 25,000 depending on the location or the complexity of the exercise. Full scale costs more to plan and execute, of course. It was a very nice program and everybody profited from it. Some times the facility would change something because of what they learned on the exercise. We used the Homeland Security model.

The money is getting short to do it now, unfortunately, because the exercises created a lot of good will towards EPA.

As I told Jim I will send him a few AAR for him to have an idea of what it was like.

When I return we can talk more about it.

Thanks

Joana

From: Weeks, Victor
Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 10:08 AM
To: Bezerra, Joana
Subject: RE: Emergency response coordination & exercise cost discussion

Joana:

I was going to suggest that Glenn Cekus participate, but Glenn must have left the agency. Are you available to contribute to this discussion with OEM? Jim Belke looking for some input on the LOE required for developing and conducting discussion-tabletop and/or field-operations exercises.

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From: Belke, Jim
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 3:54 PM
To: Mason, Steve; Gaffey, Jim; Weeks, Victor
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Would you three be available next Monday for a 1 hour call with the RMP reg development team so that we can pick your brains a bit on how to estimate emergency coordination and exercise/drill costs? We appreciate the information you've all provided so far, but we keep thinking of additional questions, so we were hoping to have a call with you.

Are you available on Monday (5/18)?

Thanks,

Jim Belke